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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 196, L.D. 564, Bill,  
"ANACT to Create the Budget Stabilization Fund."

Amend the Bill in that part designated "§1512." by  
inserting after subsection 1 the following:

'2. Biennial funding. No bill or resolve requiring  
continued funding may be passed by the Legislature, unless  
such bill or resolve carries an appropriation that is large  
enough to provide full funding for a complete biennium.

Any funds so appropriated, but not needed due to the  
effective date of such bill or resolve, shall not be used for  
any other purpose but shall be allocated to the Budget  
Stabilization Fund.'

Further amend the Bill by renumbering subsections 2 and  
3 to be subsections 3 and 4.

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to eliminate one of  
the great contributing factors to our present fiscal dilemma,  
namely the passing of bills or resolves with only 3, 6 or 12  
months funding and then having to face 24 months funding in  
the following biennium.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Appropriations  
and Financial Affairs.

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